

# THE WEATHER.

Fair and warm weather will probably continue for two or three days; southwesterly winds.

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## GREEKS FACING DISASTER

Badly Beaten in a Desperate Battle Near Mati.

## FORCED BACK FROM LARISSA

Tyrnavo Captured by the Turks and the Greeks Driven From Their Headquarters—Hellenes Outnumbered in a Bloody Fight—Turks Also Victorious in Epirus.

London, April 24.—A dispatch from Athens this afternoon says that the Greeks have been routed at Mati, and as a result of their defeat the entire Greek army has been withdrawn from Tyrnavo and Larissa. The Greek headquarters are now established at Pharsala, twenty-five miles south of Larissa.

To offset this news comes a dispatch from Athens, which says that an official dispatch has been received there from Prince Constantine, stating that a battle in progress around Mati. Up to 5 o'clock yesterday the Greeks had succeeded in repulsing the Turks. The final result of the battle, the Athens dispatch adds, is not yet known.

The commander of the Turkish army corps at Janina telegraphs to Constantinople under today's date that after seven hours' fighting he has gained a victory over the Greeks in Epirus, ending with the capture of the fort at Bishponar, where the Greeks entrenched themselves after crossing the River Luros.

A Constantinople dispatch states that the Bulgarian government has declined the request of the Turkish government to break off diplomatic relations with Greece and expel the Greek consul and Greeks. Bulgaria declares that she will observe neutrality during the war.

A later dispatch from Athens this afternoon makes it evident that the Greeks have suffered a disastrous defeat. It is admitted at Athens that a desperate battle was fought at Mati yesterday. The Greeks were greatly outnumbered, and after suffering heavy losses were compelled to retreat. Subsequently the Greek army abandoned Tyrnavo and Larissa.

## FEAR GREEKS' TRIUMPH

Turkish Defeat Expected to Involve the Great Powers.

London, April 24.—Unless Turkey can bring the war to a rapid termination the triumph of Greece cannot be prevented. It is asserted in quarters here in which the real situation is thoroughly understood, especially the desperate state of the Sultan's finances.

Therefore Osman Pasha, the hero of Plezna, has been sent to the front, with orders to strike a daring, decisive blow, without loss of time.

That a panic is prevailing at the Yildiz Kiosk is plainly shown, too, by the sudden dispatch of the Russian envoy from Constantinople to Sofia to stay the menacing demands of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, the port of which is equally afraid to refuse or to concede.

The situation is deemed to be supremely critical, and unless Osman can gain a conspicuous triumph the catatonicism of Constantinople, which the powers have disconcertingly compromised themselves in trying to prevent, may come at any moment.

In ministerial circles here, where a quick defeat of Greece was regarded as the surest and least unsafe solution of a highly dangerous complication, the new developments are causing consternation.

The increase of popular sympathy for Greece caused by the gallant conduct of her troops following the first defeats, is amounting to a revolution. The incapacity of the European concert is at last universally admitted, and its conclusions can now be safely ignored.

King George, after great efforts, has saved his people, and can now afford to be moderate.

The prevalent feeling here undoubtedly was that, as Greece had followed a provocative policy, she should be prepared to pay the penalty. In ministerial circles and the ministerial press little concealment was made of the hope that the campaign would be short, sharp and decisive, but the events of this week have produced a marked modification in these sentiments, aided, probably, by a growing suspicion that Russian diplomacy is egging Turkey on, with an eye to some big eventual coup perilous to British interests.

## TURKS CLAIM A VICTORY.

Said to Have Won a Seven Hours' Battle in Epirus.

London, April 24.—Reports have just been received here from Turkish sources of a great Turkish victory in Epirus after seven and one-half hours' fighting.

Advices received at Constantinople from the front this morning say that the Greeks have concentrated their forces at Berli, on the left of the River Penios. The Turkish forces have since Thursday occupied positions bringing about the result that they now surround the Greeks in a semi-circle.

Dispatches from several sources confirm the reports of the insurrection of several Albanian regiments. These advices say:

that four regiments of Albanians have revolted and joined the Greeks.

## EDHEM PASHA KILLED?

A Report in Athens of His Death Not Confirmed.

Athens, April 24.—A rumor is in circulation that Edhem Pasha, the commander-in-chief of the Turkish army on the frontier, has succumbed to a wound. The report, however, is generally regarded as untrue.

A dispatch from Salonica, delayed in transmission, says the Greeks, after a fierce engagement with the Turkish troops on Tuesday, occupied the town of Karra, between Platonia and Elassona. The firing continues throughout the line.

The Greek squadron is maneuvering in the Gulf of Salonica.

## IMPRESSIVE GREEK CEREMONY.

Prayers at Athens for the Success of Hellenic Arms.

Athens, April 24.—A very impressive and highly emotional scene took place last evening upon the occasion of the customary Greek Good Friday celebration. Several processions marched through the streets to Constitution Square, which was densely packed with people, thousands of them holding lighted candles in their hands. At the square the crowds turned into one procession and marched to the Cathedral, where the King and Queen attended mass.

The procession included all of the officials of the capital, headed by the metropolitan of Athens, wearing his gold-embroidered robes and a golden tiara glittering with gems, and choirs chanting prayers as the cortege passed along. The procession stopped in the middle of the square, where the metropolitan prayed to God to protect the soldiers who were defending the national honor and fighting for the glory of the cross.

At this point the emotion of the people was at its height. The silent multitude stood with uncovered heads in the flickering light of the candles they bore in their hands, while occasionally passionate sobs mingled with the voice of the metropolitan. After the ceremonies the people dispersed and quietly went to their homes.

## Salonica Panic Stricken.

Greek Fleet Bombarding Forts Below the Turkish City.

Salonica, April 24.—The Greek fleet has appeared off the lower forts, below Karaburun, and is bombarding the fortifications along the shore. The city is in the wildest state of excitement, and hundreds of inhabitants, under the belief that the city itself will soon be attacked, are fleeing into the interior.

The Turkish forces, under Rembak Pasha, are strengthening the fortifications, and are throwing up earthworks and abatis in the rear of the city, to be used in case the Greek fleet attempts a short attack. Reinforcements, which were on their way to join Edhem Pasha's army, in Milosna Pass, have returned to confront this new danger. As yet, however, the battle is so far down the gulf that the sound of the guns is but faintly heard at this place.

At earliest dawn this morning the sentinels on the high points about Fort Karaburun reported the approach of a fleet of vessels from the south. For an hour or more the approaching ships hung on the skyline in the southern haze.

Then they grew larger until the batteries and turrets of battleships could be plainly seen. At sunrise the news was flashed to the city by heliograph that the Greek fleet was approaching. A scene of the wildest excitement ensued. The Turkish forces on the outskirts of the city were called to arms, and many detachments marched to the assistance of the batteries around Touzla Point.

The wind soon veered, and a few moments later the leading vessel of the fleet was widely and fired the opening shot of the battle. From Salonica it sounded like the thump of a giant hammer. Then shot followed shot from shore and ship. The battle was on in earnest.

Rembak Pasha sent hurried instructions to Alioussa Bey, who was on his way to Kussali, to return with his regiment and assist in the work of fortifying the city. A line of field intrenchments was thrown up during the morning on the low and marshy ground west of the city to protect against a land attack from that quarter.

The batteries at Mikra Point, the Bar Spit and these walls, to be left of the city, were unlimbered and made ready for action. The Turkish artillerymen awaited the moment of attack with the keenest anticipation. The batteries brought principally into action were those at Touzla Point.

Word was received here that two of the smaller guns at Touzla Point had been silenced by the enemy's fire.

As the battle is ten or twelve miles distant, it is difficult to ascertain the true state of affairs, although it is certain that no particular damage has been done by either side.

## OFF TO HELP THEIR KING.

Three Hundred Valorous Greeks Depart From New York.

New York, April 24.—There was great cheering and waving of flags on the French line pier this morning when the steamer La Champagne sailed. Hundreds of enthusiastic Greeks were bidding goodbye to 300 or more of their countrymen who left for home, to join the Greek forces now arrayed against the Turks. Most of the men who sailed this morning were from Chicago. A party of 200 arrived from that city last night over the west shore road.

Roosevelt street was crowded when the parade formed at the Greek headquarters at that street at 8:45 o'clock and marched to the pier.

## THE SULTAN'S STRONGEST HOLD.

Eighty Millions of Moslems Would Rise if the Powers Coerced Him.

Frederick William Baile, Q. C., a relative Continued on Third Page.

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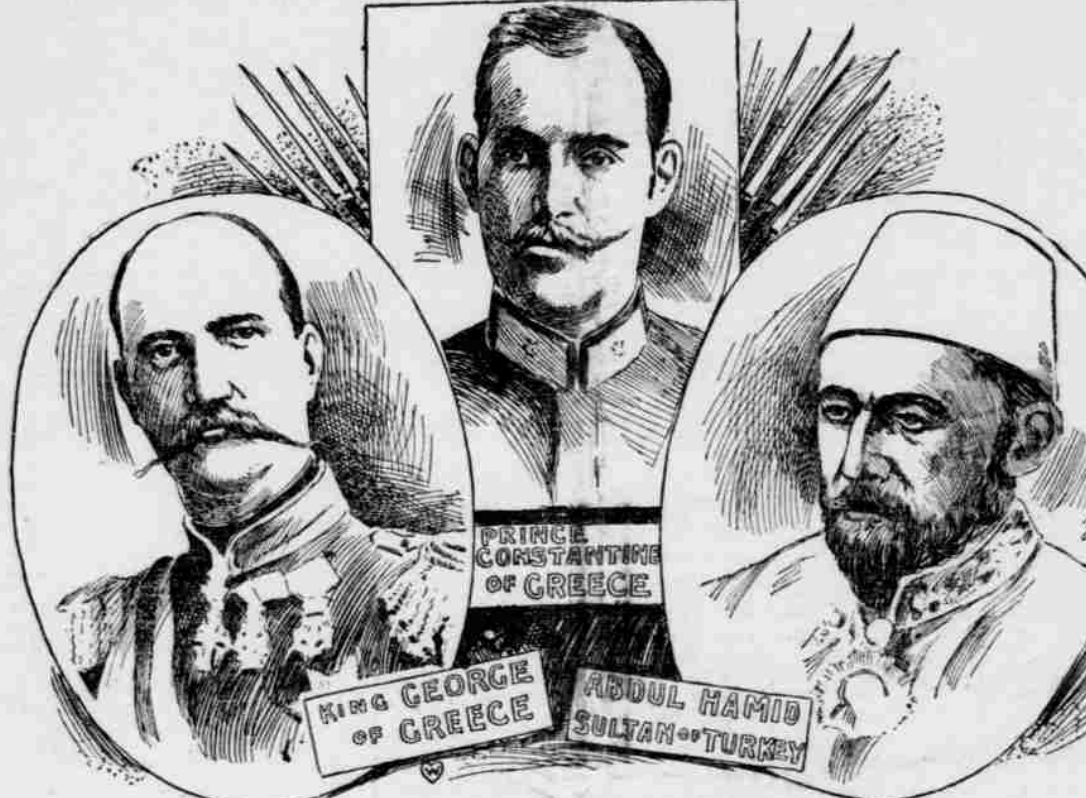
## MORE TROUBLE FOR TURKEY.

Expected That Bulgaria Will Proclaim Independence of the Porte.

London, April 24.—Dispatches received here this morning from several of the continental capitals say that the refusal of Bulgaria to break off diplomatic relations with Greece at the request of the Porte is regarded as a very serious matter and is construed as foreshadowing a declaration of Bulgarian independence.

A dispatch from Rome says that an insurrection has broken out in Albania, in which a number of regiments of Turkish troops have taken part.

A dispatch from Sofia says a band of Bulgarian insurgents has crossed the Macedonian frontier. The band is under the command of one of the chief insurgent leaders, who was recently placed under police supervision by the Bulgarian government. Other insurgent bands have gone north, and it is understood that it is their intention to work around and meet in Macedonia.



## MRS. HOE ARMS GREEKS.

Prominent Lady Buys Arms for King George's Volunteers.

New York, April 24.—Mrs. Hoe, wife of the millionaire manufacturer of printing presses, saw three men buying revolvers in a Broadway gun store yesterday afternoon. They were conversing in a foreign tongue, and Mrs. Hoe asked the clerk who they were. "They are Greeks, madam," he answered.

"It is a good cause," said the lady, "and I will pay for their purchases."

When the shining weapons were brandished in the Parisian restaurant, and cries of "Zito palamos!" Constantine Ptasoulides asked the three warriors if they knew the name of their benefactors. For answer they produced a scrap of paper, on which was written Mrs. Hoe's name and address.

Mingled with the cheers for war and cries of "victory or death" were "Zitos" for the American woman who, without the formality of organizing a committee or holding mass meetings had helped to equip the army of King George.

Mrs. Hoe was very modest about the incident when asked at her home to tell about it.

"It is nothing at all," said she. "I would rather have nothing to say about it. The Turks ought to be whipped. Every Christian in the world ought to rise up to the support of Greece in this struggle of Christianity. It is shameful to see Christian nations standing a menace to the success of such a cause."

Mrs. Hoe said arrangements were being made to care for the families of Greeks who go to fight the Turks. A fund was being raised, to which she was a contributor.

## "OFF FOR GREECE."

Chicago Patriots Going to Fight for Their Country.

Niagara Falls, April 24.—One hundred and fifty Greeks arrived here on a special train from Chicago on their way to New York. The train has a banner on it, reading "Off for Greece. Kind friends, goodbye, farewell." On the other side was "We return victors or die." The party is under the command of James Keptony, who says 600 men will depart from Chicago on Tuesday. In all, 2,000 will go.

## MRS. SHERMAN'S SYMPATHY.

Her Heart Is With the Greeks in Their Struggle.

Mrs. Sherman, wife of the Secretary of State, warmly sympathizes with the Greeks in their war with Turkey. Speaking of Queen Olga's appeal to the women of America, she said yesterday:

"The beautiful and pathetic message which the Queen of the Hellenes has sent to her sister women in America cannot fail to touch the responsive chord in the heart of every true-hearted woman in the United States."

"I am sure that this noble Queen will not be disappointed in appealing to America. Sympathy for Queen Olga personally and for the brave and magnanimous people who she helps to rally and direct is expressed in every corner of our just country."

Mrs. U. S. Grant said that Queen Olga's message to American women had awakened her heartfelt sympathy.

An effort is being made among society women to give an entertainment with a view of answering Queen Olga's letter in a practical way. Several private subscription lists are to be started immediately.

## TALKED OF CIVIL SERVICE

All Three Commissioners Closed With the President.

## AUDIENCE LASTED FOR HOURS

Mr. McKinley Devoted Himself to Everybody While They Were in His Presence—Ex-Archbishop General Richards, of Ohio, Stated for Solicitor General.

Shortly before 10 o'clock this morning three distinguished-looking men drove up in front of the White House and sought an interview with the President. Although it was before the hour when visitors are usually admitted, the great portals of the Executive Mansion swung open at their approach and they were at once ushered into Mr. McKinley's presence.

Just whom the President will appoint, however, I do not know, but it will undoubtedly be a conservative man."

Mrs. McKinley took her customary drive this morning for the first time in an open landau. She was accompanied by Mr. H. H. Kohlsaat, editor of the Chicago Times-Herald, who is a personal friend of the President and his wife.

Mr. Kohlsaat arrived in the city yesterday. It is whispered that the object of his visit is to protest against the pardon of Editor Dunlop, of Chicago, who was convicted and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for sending obscene matter through the mails.

A numerous signed petition has been presented to the President, asking for Dunlop's pardon on the grounds of ill-health. Dunlop has already suffered two strokes of apoplexy, and it is claimed that imprisonment at this time might prove fatal.

The petition for his pardon was signed by every editor in the Windy City, with the exception of Kohlsaat, who has from the first been violently opposed to any clemency being shown to his late colleague.

During the past few days a number of projects have arrived at the White House from a number of prominent newspaper men of New York. The prevailing impression is, however, that Mr. McKinley will commission a physician to make a special examination of Dunlop, and if it is found that imprisonment might prove fatal to the editor, that a pardon will at once be granted him.

Mr. McKinley is also to be importuned to commute the sentence of Lum Pearson, the aged man who is sentenced to be hanged at the district jail on the 30th instant. Attorney Taylor, who has been untiring in his efforts to obtain clemency for his client, saw the President again today, and after leaving the White House went over to the Department of Justice. Judge Cole, who was the trial judge at the time that Pearson was convicted, is also anxious that the man shall avoid the gallows.

Judge Cole has called at the White House several times during the past week and saw the President again today. It is not thought, however, that Mr. McKinley will interfere with the death sentence and Pearson will in all probability expire his crime on the gallows on the date fixed for his execution.

It is said that the President has decided to appoint ex-Representative Cheatum, of North Carolina, as recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia. Cheatum is one of the best known colored politicians of the old North State and has ministered to the leading politicians of the country to his support.

Representative Quigg, of New York, called at the Executive Mansion today for the purpose of urging the appointment of Julius Goldschmidt as consul to Hamburg.

Senator Kyle, of South Dakota, saw the President and introduced Judge G. G. Bennett, of Deadwood, and W. S. Glas, of Watertown, both of whom desire foreign consulships.

Dr. Hunter, who has just been defeated in the memorable contest for the Senatorship in Kentucky, was a notable visitor. Others who called were Ambassador Andrew D. White, Senators Burrows, Wetmore, Lodge, Daniel, Chandler, Mason, Culham, Foraker, and Representatives without number.

## A BAD BREAK FEARED.

Lives and Property Threatened in Tensas Parish, La.

Memphis, Tenn., April 24.—The river at Memphis has registered a fall of two-tenths of an inch since yesterday. The break at Shipland, on the Promised Land plantation, is still widening and will be 1,000 feet from levee to levee end by tomorrow.

The eyes of all the people in Tensas parish, La., are turned to the levee at Hardcastle, which seems to be on the verge of breaking.

Property valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars and the lives of many people depend on the muddy levee. If it gives way the entire fifth Louisiana levee district will be inundated, excepting possibly a portion of East Carroll parish. The Tensas and Black rivers are rising rapidly.

## Jewelry Thieves Arrested.

New York, April 24.—Abraham Schoenfeld was arrested last night on suspicion of having stolen jewelry from his employees, Munster Bros., of 449 Broadway. He confessed that he had had been robbing the firm systematically for three years. It is said the amount of the thefts will aggregate \$5,000. Max Goldstein, Isaac Brozsky and Raphael Schwarz, proprietors of small jewelry stores to whom Schoenfeld had sold the jewelry, were also arrested. All were held for examination.

## Butler Landed in Australia.

Auckland, New Zealand, April 24.—The steamer Mariposa, Capt. Hayward, from San Francisco on April 8, which arrived here Thursday, had on board Frank Butler, who is charged with having committed several murders in Australia. Butler was quiet throughout the voyage, and persisted in denying he is guilty of the crimes laid at his door. He says that he would have used his revolver had he known detectives were on board the Mariposa.

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## ENTIRE TRAIN DERAILED.

Disastrous Freight Wreck on the New Jersey Central.

Somerville, N. J., April 24.—An engine No. 346, last-bound, drawing a long coal train on the New Jersey Central Railroad, was passing the Baritan station yesterday afternoon, an axle on one of the forward cars broke. The entire train was derailed. Cars were piled on the station platform and scattered for a quarter of a mile over the tracks, completely blocking traffic between Easton and New York.

A number of freight cars that were being loaded on a siding were knocked over. Thomas Kelley, who was in one of the cars, sustained serious injuries. A team of horses that narrowly escaped being crushed by a falling car ran away, doing much damage.

## MISS HELEN NYE'S CONCERT.

Very Pleasant Evening Entertainment at the Hamilton Church.

The benefit tendered to Miss Helen Nye at the Hamilton Church last evening was a marked success. The church was well filled and the selections finely rendered.

Miss Nye is the young lady who, for the last few months, has been training the choir of the Hamilton Church. She rendered two selections entitled "Summer" and "Softly Sighs," and responded to several encores. At the close of her first song Miss Nye was presented with several large bunches of roses.

Miss Nye was ably supported by the following local artists: Miss Irma G. Callahan, Miss Grace Jones, Miss Bertie Thompson, Miss Blanche Barker, Mrs. H. M. Smith. Selections were also rendered by the Metropolitan Quartette, consisting of Messrs. Chandler, Higgins, Hopkins and Barringer, and by the Eminent Circle of twenty-eight voices.

## MRS. DAVIS GOING TO NEW YORK

Widow and Daughter of the Confederacy to Honor Grant.

New York, April 24.—Although the accident to Col. John S. Masby will prevent the famous Confederate cavalryman from taking part in the ceremony of or parade on Grant Day, the South will be represented by two women whom it delights to honor—the widow and daughter of the chief of the Confederacy, Jefferson Davis.

Mrs. Davis, and Miss Winnie, her daughter, will review the parade in company with the widow and daughter of the family of Gen. Grant. They come from far away Beauvoir to show their gratitude to the chief of the Union Army who dared to become the champion of the leader of the Lost Cause when all the world was against him.

Their presence will serve to emphasize the truth that there is but one country and one flag today, and that the scars left by the war have been healed forever.

## CLEVER FORGER ARRESTED.

He Had Worked the Chatham People for a Considerable Amount.

Charlottesville, Va., April 24.—A man appeared at the People's National Bank of this city and presented a card on which was printed "C. M. Bryant, representing the Knabe Company, Baltimore." He asked Casper Robertson to discount a negotiable note, which purported to be drawn for \$500 by S. A. Early & Son, of Doyleville, an Allegheny village. He said he had sold one of the Knabe pianos and had accepted the note in payment. The bank declined to buy the note. Mr. Robertson became convinced that there was the man wanted for forgery in Chatham, and when he went to the bank an hour later Bryant was arrested and locked up.

E. S. Reid, cashier of the Chatham Savings Bank, which holds some notes alleged to have been forged by Bryant, recognized the document as the person, who under the name of J. E. Brooks, forged and offered notes purporting to be of those of prominent people and near Chatham, which notes he discounted at the Chatham bank. He also, it is said, worked the Chatham jewelers under the name of C. B. Hayes, agent for a Chicago jewelry house, to create and deny his identity. His alleged crookedness in Chatham involved about \$500. Bryant was sent on to the grand jury.

## ORIENTALISTS PROTEST.

Object to the Dingley Tariff on Scientific Books.

Baltimore, April 24.—At the meeting of the American Oriental Society yesterday at the suggestion of Prof. Lauman, of Harvard, the board of directors of the society will take under consideration the advisability of co-operating with the American Philological Association and similar societies in a protest against the clause of the Dingley tariff bill imposing a duty upon scientific books and antiquities.

The original clause of the bill was amended exempting from taxation books, scientific apparatus for universities and public libraries, but the tax still remains upon them when intended for individual scholars. If the board decides to protest it will be in the name of the leading scholars of America.

## THE ROBEYNS COURT-MARTIAL.

Testimony Regarding Mrs. O'Brien's Conduct With Officers.

Atlanta, April 24.—In the Robeyns court-martial, Lieut. W. F. Martin, for the defense, testified that he had seen Lieut. Banford and Mrs. O'Brien in each other's company so frequently that he could not be friendly to either, and that his wife had not married Mrs. O'Brien, and that his wife had not married Mrs. O'Brien, and that his wife had not married Mrs. O'Brien.

Mrs. W. F. Martin testified much on the same line. She said that other members of the garrison had never avoided speaking to Mrs. O'Brien, but she felt it only proper to cut her.

Lieut. Kirk, who followed, denominated the incessant dancing together of Lieut. Banford and Mrs. O'Brien at hops as a "brasserie proceeding." Their actions were such as to produce unfavorable criticism of the regiment. He said that such epithets as "shameful" and "scandalous" were used by people of the post in their denunciations of the couple. Mrs. Kirk's testimony emphasized that of her husband.

## Pensioner Murdered and Robbed.

Louisville, Ky., April 24.—Late yesterday afternoon an old pensioner named Barge drew his back pension, amounting to about \$100, and started to row to his home up the river. Last night his boat was found floating down stream, bottom up. He had evidently been killed and robbed.

## Choked to Death by a Button.

Pennington, N. J., April 24.—While the little two-year-old son of Matthias Reesburg was playing about the house yesterday, he accidentally swallowed a button, which lodged in his throat, choking him to death before assistance arrived.

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## DEBOE NAMED AS SENATOR

The Long Kentucky Deadlock Broken at Last.

## HE MAY NOT BE ELECTED

State Senator Deboe Made the Republican Caucus Nominee to Succeed Dr. Hunter—Mark Hanna's Personal Representative on the Battle Ground.

Frankfort, Ky., April 24.—Last night State Senator Deboe, of Crittenden county, was nominated in the Republican caucus for United States Senator. As he received the full vote of all the factions this would seem to indicate his election without fail at today's joint session.

Senator Deboe is about forty years of age. He has served in the State legislature two terms, and has acted as local chairman of the Republican committee. He is a conservative, and has never been mixed up in any party strife.

In the joint session today the sound money Democrats refused to vote on the senate roll-call, and it became evident that their intention was to break a quorum, and thus prevent the election of Deboe to the United States Senate.

The Republicans are working hard to secure a quorum, but two of their number are absent in Paris. It is believed, however, that they will be able to get a quorum present this afternoon, and will certainly elect Deboe. A large crowd of spectators is present, the galleries being packed and jammed, and great interest is manifested in the proceedings.

The Republicans failed to get a quorum, and the joint session adjourned without having elected a Senator.

Samuel M. Taylor, who is understood to be Mark Hanna's personal representative herein for the fight for United States Senator, has returned after a brief absence during the investigation by the grand jury of charges of attempted bribery.

Mr. Taylor was secretary of state during the three years of Governor McKinley's term as the executive of the Jackeye State, and was sent to Frankfort at the beginning of the State legislature to use his best endeavors to secure the election of Dr. Hunter to the United States Senate.

He was on the scene for about two weeks, but when the grand jury investigation began he went back to Columbus.

For several days he was missed from the legislative hall, but yesterday he returned and began pulling the wires for the benefit of State Senator Deboe, whom the Republicans decided to support in place of Dr. Hunter.

There has been much speculation as to the reason of Mr. Taylor's sudden disappearance from Frankfort, just at a time when his assistance seemed most needed. Some of his acquaintances have announced a belief that he has returned, but even if he does succeed, and that is not yet decided, it will be of but little benefit to the Republicans. The new Florida Senator will also be seated by the time the tariff bill is voted on, and the Senate will then stand counting Kentucky Republican and Florida Democrat. Republicans, 45; Democrats, 43; Populists, 8; others, 10. This gives an opposition total of 16, more than half of the entire Senate, and a majority over the Republicans of three.

## DEBOE WON'T HELP THEM.